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NEW ENGLAND WHOLESALE MARKETERS ASSOCIATION

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Dear Wholesale Distributor,

Huge cigarette taxes are still a threat in Congress! The immediate threat has simply moved from the Senate to the House of Representatives.

Even as you read this letter, politicians in Washington are discussing tax hikes of up to $1.50 per pack. That would mean incredible business losses for you and your customers. We must tell Congress that we don't want more government interference and higher taxes.

First, you can write a brief note or call your U.S. Representative today. When you contact him or her, explain how you expect a jump in cigarette taxes to have a negative impact on your business.

Second, you can encourage your retail customers, employees and business associates to do the same. I have also enclosed some flyers that you can distribute to them that includes information on contacting your state's Congressional delegation.

Finally, give those same people the enclosed petitions. Please send the completed petitions to your Members of Congress so you can show them that the people and businesses of New England have had enough big government and tax increases.

We have had one victory with the defeat of the Senate's big tax bill. Let's send Washington that message again — NO MORE TAXES!

Sincerely

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